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1. The North Korean naval headquarters at Najin-dong (130-15, 42-10) was moved away in early April 1950 to Songjin (129-12, 40-40) in order to permit the development of Najin port as a Soviet naval base.* Both personnel and equipment were transferred away from Najin.
2. The first reported visit of Soviet planes to Najin occurred on 18 May 1950, when two Soviet naval seaplanes landed in the harbor. The planes were described as four-motored and resembling B-29s. They carried thirty Soviet naval aviators. After a three-hour delay the two planes took off for an unknown destination.
3. A Soviet ship of about 5,000 tons unloaded a cargo at Najin on 17 May consisting of unstated quantities of bombs, torpedos, oil supplies including gasoline, heavy oil, lubricating oil, and other types, and four trucks. The torpedos were assumed by local observers to be for the Soviet naval units in the port.
4. Soviet vessels, both merchant and military types, call at the port occasionally to load supplies.
5. In late May, a 3,000-ton gunboat, constructed in the Chongjin (129-49, 41-46) shipyards under Soviet supervision, was anchored at Najin. No regular marine constabulary were stationed at the port, but 140 men were receiving marine constabulary training there. The course, lasting six months, is scheduled to be completed at the end of July 1950. Instructors in the course include:
 - a. Navigation techniques:

Head, Colonel KIM Yong-chin (金龍振), aged 36.

Deputy head, Lt. Colonel PAK Pyong-ok (朴炳億), aged 32.

Chief of staff, Major CH'I Mun-ho (池文浩), aged 26.

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Deputy chief of staff, Captain HAN Sang-ki (韓相基), aged 28.

b. Pilot techniques:

Head, Colonel SIN (申), fmu, aged 34.

Deputy head, Lt. Colonel AN Ch'ang-sik (安昌植), aged 29.

Chief of staff, Major HO Kuk-pom (許國范), aged 28.

c. Soviet advisers and instructors:

Colonel (Captain?) Mikhailov of the Soviet navy.**

Lt. Colonel (Commander?) Ivanovski of the Soviet navy.

Captain (Lieutenant?) Kaganov of the Soviet navy.

Four Soviet non-commissioned officers.

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personalities in North Korea as attached to headquarters "Yuzhmor", Southern
Naval Defense District, and a Polk Mikhailov was named as one of the Soviet
advisers to the People's Army.

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